

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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For: "PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR THE DETERMINATION OF
PARAMETERS OF A BREATH CONDENSATE"

Attorney Docket No.: 3648.034

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Attn: Box Patent Application
Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application,
please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS (CLEAN VERSION):

Please amend original claim 11 as follows:

11. Process according to claim 10, wherein the cassette after
the determination of parameters of the breath condensate and of a
sample solution is disposed of.

REMARKS

The claim has been amended in order to eliminate multiple
dependent claims and claims improperly depending from multiple
dependent claims, and to otherwise conform the claims to U.S.

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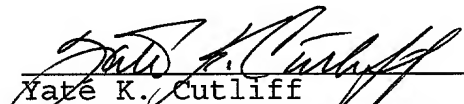
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practice. Care has been taken to ensure that no new matter is added to the text.

Entry and favorable consideration prior to consideration are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

The Examiner is requested to accept the marked-up version as it is based on the previous version, which when modified as below, produces the clean version submitted with the current amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 11 as follows:

11. (Amended) Process according to [one of claims] claim 10, wherein the cassette after the determination of parameters of the breath condensate and of a sample solution is disposed of.